

bank's advances is not generated by the data reporting system of Reserve Bank of India. However, the total advances of Public Sector Banks for small scale industries, which include also agro-based industries, as on September, 1991 (latest available) were Rs. 16,560 crores in 28.2 lacs accounts.

(b) and (c). The lending by Regional Rural Banks or nationalised banks to the viable ventures is an ongoing process and the question of imposing any ban does not arise. While formulating credit policy for Banks, Reserve Bank of India ensures that the genuine need of priority sector advances is not affected and the borrowers belonging to this sector do not face any difficulty in obtaining credit from the bank.

Law Commission's Recommendations

3771. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the main recommendations made by the Law Commission to incorporate an amendment in the Indian Penal Code, the Civil Procedure Code and Evidence Act; and
- (b) the progress made so far to implement these recommendations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b). The main recommendations made by the Law Commission to incorporate amendments in the Indian Penal Code, Code of Civil Procedure and Evidence Act are contained in its 42nd Report on "Indian Penal Code, 1860" 54th Report on Code of Civil Procedure, 1908", and 69th Report on "Indian Evidence Act, 1872". Such of those recommendations contained in 54th Report which have been

found acceptable to Government were implemented by the Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Act, 1976. As regards recommendations contained in 42nd and 69th Reports, no final decision has been taken so far.

Imports of books

3772. SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA:
SHRI C.P. MUDALA GIRI-
YAPPA:
SHRI V. KISHNA RAO:
SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of difficulties faced by importers to import books due to restrictions and devaluation of the rupee;

(b) whether Government propose to lift the restrictions on import of various categories of books and educational literature and reduce the cash margin deposit requirements thereon; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Due to balance of payment difficulties, certain restrictions were imposed by way of cash margin requirements before permitting opening of Letters of Credit for import of various categories of goods including books. With the improvement in the balance of payment position, these restrictions have since been removed.

[*Translation*]

Visit of Indian delegation to European countries

3773. SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state: